EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: CSIRO Output Group: CSIRO

DEST Question No. E211_07

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

In terms of the forestry division, have either the division or *ensis* provided or considered providing Dr Paul Cotterill, a former chief of CSIRO access to improved eucalyptus genetic materials of several species developed by CSIRO and other state organisations for use in his own business ventures?

CSIRO has indicated that it does not believe this to be the case with materials developed through the Australian low rainfall tree improvement project. This revised question seeks similar details relating to all research projects and any other work undertaken by CSIRO, either by itself, through joint ventures or through *ensis* in relation to all projects and research work other than the low rainfall tree improvement project.

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Access to improved eucalyptus genetic materials

No access has been provided. Should any access be provided in the future, this would be a commercial arrangement under terms and conditions available to other potential customers.